

SECTION III – OFF-TRACK ADOPTION PROGRAMS

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In an effort to assist in ensuring the quality and legitimacy of off-track adoption programs utilized by Wisconsin kennel operators, the Division of Gaming requires each adoption program receiving greyhounds directly from Wisconsin racetracks to meet specific operating standards and be registered. Once a completed registration application is received, the information will be reviewed by the Division's Adoption Coordinator. If all registration requirements are met, the adoption program will be added to the list of registered adoption programs available for use by Wisconsin kennel operators.

REQUIREMENTS FOR REGISTRATION

A. Registered adoption programs must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Submit a list of all Wisconsin greyhounds received and final disposition every six months to the Division of Gaming.
2. Maintain all records related to Wisconsin greyhounds for a minimum of three years.
3. Agree to provide the Division of Gaming with the name(s), address(es), and telephone number(s) of all individuals with an ownership, management, or supervisory role in the ownership or operation of the adoption program.
4. Obtain direct consent to adopt the greyhound and secure legal care and custody of the greyhound from the NGA registered owner.
5. Agree to provide the name and address of adopter to the Division of Gaming, if requested, for all Wisconsin greyhounds.
6. Agree to allow inspection of records and premises by Division of Gaming personnel.
7. Allow adopters to return a greyhound to the adoption program in the event the person who adopted the greyhound no longer wishes to keep the greyhound.
8. Have a working relationship with a state licensed veterinarian.
9. Have not had a racing license denied or revoked.
10. Have not been found guilty of any fraud or misrepresentation in connection with racing or breeding.
11. Have not been ruled off or denied the privileges of a track, or been suspended or discharged from any racetrack by any racing official, association, commission, or board.

12. Have not been employed by or associated with a bookmaker or any gambling or illegal establishment; or ever owned or operated a bookmaking establishment.
13. Have not been charged or convicted of any law related to the humane treatment of animals.
14. Have not plead guilty, plead no contest, been found guilty, been convicted, or been fined for any felony or gambling related misdemeanor.

B. The sale, transfer or donation of any greyhound received from a Wisconsin racetrack to an exhibition/research entity or blood donor program is strictly prohibited. Furthermore, no registered adoption agency may have any connection, directly or indirectly to an individual licensed by the United States Department of Agriculture to provide animals for use in research or exhibition. No registered adoption program may be involved in the sale, transfer, or donation of any species or breed of animal for medical research or testing.